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Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants submit herewith the following Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

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The above-referenced document is the English translation of the document submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 for the above-identified application on September 4, 2001. We have enclosed the cited document to facilitate reference to it. A PTO form 1449 is also enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider this publication in its entirety, and to indicate that he or she has done so by initialing the enclosed form PTO 1449.

This Supplemental IDS is submitted before the first Office Action, therefore it is believed that no fee is due. If, however, it is determined that a fee is required, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2461 for such a fee.

Applicants are not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' agent at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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